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## 2ND KPFT IRISH AIRES PICNIC



KEEP OPEN Sunday, Sept. 25, 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM for the 2nd Irish Aires / Irish Society / IAHA Family Picnic at Dan Electro's Guitar Bar up in the Heights. This location is at 1031 East 24th St. between N. Main & Airline. \$10 donations per adult and children under 12, half price. (BYOB OK.)

There will be GREAT Irish music including: 1PM - The TOM FOOLIGANS; 2PM - The DEAD RABBITS; 3PM - 'THINK LIZZY'; 4 PM - the O'MAOILEIDIGH DANCERS; & lastly Hugh Morrison and MURDER THE STOUT.

Pete Little, Irish Society social director, shown here at a grill last year, will cook the hamburgers & hot dogs. Potato salad & baked beans will be also offered. Chips and soda will be ready for all the kids upon arrival. Your hosts, Pete and Jay Dooling, look forward to your being at this fundraiser for the Irish Aires. Contact Pete at 832-722-3788 or via Email at [PeteLittle@comcast.net](mailto:PeteLittle@comcast.net)

### PATRICK BARDEN KEEGAN

### NEW BOARD MEMBER

Here is Patrick with his lovely wife, Tracey, at our 2010 Celebration Dinner. His grandmother, the late Mary Barden Keegan, founded Houston's End Hunger Network in 1985. It was incorporated into the Houston Food Bank in 2008. She and her husband, Dr. Jim Keegan, were founders and lifetime members of our organization.



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## BLOOMSDAY PARTY

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Peggy O'Connor, a former Irish Society "Molly," with Ann Hoar, our only ever "Wild Irish Rose."

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Mary Hohlt, our newest "Molly," was selected at this year's Bloomsday Party.




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Mary Kearns, with the "Bones" (emblematic of her association with the Carr Bros.) in her hand, joins with Hugh Morrison of Murder the Stout in a rousing Irish song.

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Angela Hennebery, our 1st 'Molly,' draws the winning raffle ticket at the Party as Neil Miggins, our Treasurer, looks on.

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Kathleen, Eileen, & Larry Miggins enjoying the dinner portion at our 2011 Bloomsday Party.

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## BILLY CARR - REST IN PEACE

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The Carr Brothers are great supporters of all things Irish. Billy Carr was the glue of the Carr Family. Billy, along with his brothers, Dave and Mike, served as the 2010 Parade Grand Marshals.

Where ever there was Irish music, Billy was there playing his bones. He was instrumental in establishing the Irish Open and the Irish Stew Cook-off.

There are so many wonderful things that we can say about Billy, but the best thing we can say is he was a friend always.

He has gone to join his mother and his dear friends, Michael Davitt and Doc Kearns. Heaven is more fun today since Billy is leading the Bones Band up there.

St. Patrick, take care of our dear Friend. An Irish-Houston Icon. Billy is shown here on the left with his brothers, Mike and David.



## THE O'MAOILEIDIGH DANCERS



Always welcome at our events, these young ladies and gentleman keep up our Irish heritage. Anna Kelly again had her wards in fine form. They will perform for us again at this year's Picnic.

Frank Reidy, onetime Irish dance master, enjoyed their performance.



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